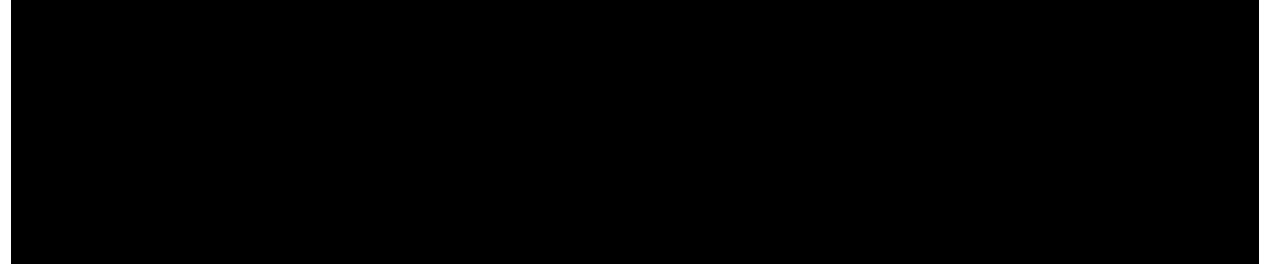


To: Diamond, Jane[Diamond.Jane@epa.gov]
From: Strauss, Alexis
Sent: Fri 6/27/2014 12:44:20 AM
Subject: authorizing aquifer exemptions

Thx for the update, we' ll confer tomorrow.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.



While we were getting an update from the CA Dept of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources by phone this afternoon, DOGGR got a call from its district office reporting discovery of a 5/17/85 letter from EPA R9 approving a set of aquifer exemptions, including aquifers currently believed to be less than 3000 ppm TDS and to meet the definition of a USDW. These aquifers appear to include the locations of 107 injection wells for which CA has been preparing to issue orders requiring cessation of injection. The info hadn't yet been shared among the CA agencies and Governor's office, but the expectation is that this news puts on hold the State's plans to serve orders on 15 operators on Monday.

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From: Feldt, Lisa

Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2014 12:14 PM

To: Grevatt, Peter; Stoner, Nancy

Cc: Loop, Travis; Kopocis, Ken; Lopez-Carbo, Maria; Gilinsky, Ellen; Shapiro, Mike; Diamond, Jane; Strauss, Alexis; Keener, Bill; Clark, Becki; Lopez-Carbo, Maria; Bergman, Ronald

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From: Loop, Travis

Sent: Wednesday, June 25, 2014 9:11 AM

To: Stoner, Nancy; Kopocis, Ken; Grevatt, Peter; Lopez-Carbo, Maria; Gilinsky, Ellen; Shapiro, Mike

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From: Keener, Bill

Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2014 7:47:16 PM

To: Johnson, Alisha; Loop, Travis

Cc: Zito, Kelly

Subject: Region 9 update of California UIC issue

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